

This adventure is so grim and Peri has the fatal spectrox toxemia for so much of it that a spanking scene does not seem very appropriate. It is tempting to pass the story over altogether so that Peri (who was spanked twice, by Howard and Turlough, in 'Planet of Fire') gets her first spanking from the Doctor in 'The Twin Dilemma' (and so add the extra spice of surprise to the start of one of the classic 'Doctor Who' spanking relationships, Peri and the 6th Doctor). But that's no way to respond to a challenge!

So, what are the limitations I face? Peri must be spanked early in the story, before she gets sick: the alternative is to spank her when she is already on course for a slow, ugly death, and I find that tasteless. Also, there is only one person in the story who *can* spank her: the only other character who might care enough to punish her (for her own good, of course) is Sharaz Jek, and he worships her a little too much to do that. And by the time she has met anyone on Androzani, she has the toxemia anyway. So the Doctor it has to be, and that means I have to dismantle the nice little 'Twin Dilemma' spanking scene I had worked out. Ah well...

The other thing to consider is the unusual way this story works. Most 'Doctor Who' episodes are driven forward by the situation they start with, but 'The Caves of Androzani' gets its momentum from the situation it's going to end up at. So in this story, the causes of events are less important, and can be more arbitrary, than their consequences. So when the Doctor and Peri have a little argument soon after they arrive on Androzani Minor, how could they possibly guess what it's going to lead to?

As usual, I'm going to make one small change to Peri's costume. Instead of her unflattering shorts, she wears a short pink cheerleader-style skirt.

Peri is new to interplanetary travel. She doesn't yet know how unwise it is to wander away from the Doctor's side, and she doesn't care to be told. Bossy older men are something she has had her fill of after life with Professor Howard Foster. 'You're a pain, Doctor,' she says, and defiantly makes her way into one of the blow-hole caves that have captured her attention. A resigned Doctor follows her underground. Why does he always wind up having to chaperone these disobedient young women around the galaxy? 'Now listen to me, young lady,' he begins as he catches up with her. 'You sound just like Howard,' she interrupts, taunting him for his caution. And that riles him.

'Have you ever been spanked, Peri?' he asks menacingly. Peri gulps: the Doctor is even more like the hairbrush-wielding Howard than she had expected. 'N-n-no!' she lies. 'There's a first time for everything,' he says darkly as he strides toward her. 'You wouldn't dare,' she shouts, 'Who gave you the right to spank me?' The Doctor doesn't dignify the question with any reply except to sit down on a convenient rock and turn her over his knee. She is behaving like a brat, brats need spanking, and who else is there present to do the job?

He flips up her little pleated skirt, and the phosphorescent cave light reveals her tight white panties with a pattern of eyelet holes through which can be seen the pink flesh of her large, round bottom,

flesh that will be growing redder during the next few minutes. The successive sounds of explosive slaps and shrill howls echo away into the darkness (to be heard by Stotz and his gun-runners, telling them that someone else has entered the caves). But Peri has more experience across a male knee than the Doctor knows, and when the shock wears off after the first few smacks, she sinks her teeth into the Doctor's leg. The startled Time Lord jumps, just enough for Peri to struggle to her feet. Shouting the usual resentful platitudes of a spanked girl, she backs hastily away into the darkness, trips and falls. Her short skirt flies up around her and she lands on her thinly clad bottom right in the middle of a large fuzzy sticky ball: a spectrox nest.

'It's stinging!' she wails as the Doctor helps her to her feet. 'So it should be,' says the Doctor. 'But not as much as it's going to sting when I've finished with you, young lady!' And so he marches her back to the rock, puts her back across his knee, and carries on with the spanking, sparing her nothing after the biting incident. Peri howls and kicks, but there is no escape this time. And every time his palm cracks down across those perforated panties, a little more of the deadly spectrox dust gets onto his skin. Little does he know that this will prove the deadliest spanking he will ever administer in any of his lives...